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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060-0844]

Information Collection Being Submitted for Review and Approval to the Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees. The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number. DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS FROM DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contacts below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB, via email

Nicholas_A._Fraser@omb.eop.gov; and to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email PRA@fcc.gov and to

Cathy. Williams@fcc.gov. Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the

"Supplementary Information" section below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the

information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918. To view a copy of this

information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) go to the web page

http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>, (2) look for the section of the Web page called

"Currently Under Review," (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the "Select Agency" box

below the "Currently Under Review" heading, (4) select "Federal Communications Commission"

from the list of agencies presented in the "Select Agency" box, (5) click the "Submit" button to

the right of the "Select Agency" box, (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review

appears, look for the OMB control number of this ICR and then click on the ICR Reference

Number. A copy of the FCC submission to OMB will be displayed.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0844.

Title: Carriage of the Transmissions of Television Broadcast Stations: Section 76.56(a), Carriage

of qualified noncommercial educational stations; Section 76.57, Channel positioning; Section

76.61(a)(1)-(2), Disputes concerning carriage; Section 76.64, Retransmission consent.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 835 respondents and 14,040 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 to 5 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement; Third party disclosure requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for this

information collection is contained in sections 1, 4(i) and (j), 325, 336, 614 and 615 of the

Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Total Annual Burden: 14.840 hours.

Total Annual Cost: No cost.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is no need for confidentiality with this collection

of

information.

Privacy Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Needs and Uses: Under section 614 of the Communications Act and the implementing rules

adopted by the Commission, commercial TV broadcast stations are entitled to assert mandatory

carriage rights on cable systems located within the station's television market. Under section

325(b) of the Communications Act, commercial TV broadcast stations are entitled to negotiate

with

local cable systems for carriage of their signal pursuant to retransmission consent agreements in

lieu of asserting must carry rights. This system is therefore referred to as "Must-Carry and

Retransmission Consent." Under section 615 of the Communications Act, noncommercial

educational (NCE) stations are also entitled to assert mandatory carriage rights on cable systems

located within the station's market; however, noncommercial TV broadcast stations are not

entitled

to retransmission consent. The information collection requirements for this collection are

contained

in 47 CFR sections 76.56(a), 76.57, 76.61(a)(1)-(2) and 76.64.

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Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

Office of the Secretary.

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